Some of the major initiatives taken by them include setting up of an Indian Diabetes Institute in Kerala with a contribution of upto $ 40 million. The K. Care project to counter AIDS in the state of Karnataka at the cost of $ 15 million is another initiative by NRI/PIO doctors. Other important health sector initiatives include a project of an Eye Hospital in Kakinada and a research based Eye Hospital in Vishakhapatnam and the super specialised Kalinga Hospital in Bhubhaneshwar. NRIs/PIOs have also opened schools to train nurses and auxiliary staff in different parts of India. As informed by Indian Embassy in Washington, a number or NRIs/ PIOs have been contributing to trusts/societies for setting up of Medical Colleges and Hospitals in some of the States of the country. However, information in this regard is not maintained by Central Government.

(b) No delegation from the Ministry of HRD visited US in this regard.

(c) This department has no specific information.

(d) Does not arise.

Abolition of child marriages

5188. SHRIMATI SHABANA AZMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether women activists across the country are urging the Centre for abolition of child marriages;

(b) if so, whether the report from various places in the country, including the Capital has pointed out that despite child marriages being stopped on receiving news, the child marriages are still performed;

(c) whether Government propose to take any step to abolish the child marriages in the country;

(d) if so, what are the concrete suggestions made by the women activists; and

(e) to what extent they have been considered and implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JAS KAUR MEENA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Details of child marriages registered in the country during the years 1999, 2000 and 2001 under the Child Marriage Restraint Act, 1929 as per the data

maintained by the National Crime Records Bureau, are annexed as statement (*See* below)

(c) In addition to the implementation of the Child Marriage Restraint Act, 1929, the Government has also been launching awareness campaigns against child marriages through various institutions and organizations from time to time.

(d) and (e) Do not arise in view of reply to part (a).

Statement

Number of cases registered under Child Marriage Restraint Act, State-wise during 1999, 2000 and 2001

Sl. No.	Name of State/Union Territory	1999	2000	2001
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1	7	6
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0
3	Assam	0	0	0
4	Bihar	3	3	2
5	Chattisgarh	NE	NE	0
6	Goa	0	0	0
7	Gujarat	31	31	11
8.	Haryana	2	2	0
9.	Himachal Pradesh	7	4	0
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0
11.	Jharkhand	NE	NE	0
12.	Karnataka	0	2	3
13.	Kerala	2	1	3
14.	Madhya Pradesh	0	3	4
15.	Maharashtra	2	33	43
16.	Manipur	0	0	0
17.	Meghalaya	0	0	0
18.	Mizoram	0	0	0
19.	Nagaland	0	0	0
20.	Orissa	0	0	0

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
21.	Punjab	2	2	0
22.	Rajasthan	6	4	10
23.	Sikkim	0	0	0
24.	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0
25.	Tripura	0	0	0
26.	Uttaranchal	NE	NE	0
27.	Uttar Pradesh	1	0	1
28.	West Bengal	0	0	0
	Total (States)	57	92	83
29.	A & N Island	1	2	0
30.	Chandigarh	0	0	2
31.	D & N Haveli	0	0	0
32.	Daman & Diu	0	0	0
33.	Delhi U.T	0	0	0
34.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
35.	Pondicherry	0	0	0
	Total (UTs)	1	2	2
	Total (All India)	58	94	85

Source: 1999,2000 Crime in India data, 2001 - Monthly Crime Statistics.

NOTE : 1. Figures for 2000 and 2001 are provisional

2. NE stands for Not Existing

3. Due to non-availability of information, the data for Bihar is repeated for 2000.

Publication of NCERT Books

5189. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI:
SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NCERT published its books for the current academic year in Hindi, Urdu and English;

(b) if so, the number of books which have been published in Urdu;

(c) whether it is a fact that last year NCERT books were not published in Urdu; and